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D. BANGKOK A-51; E. STATE 54437; F. BANGKOK 1887;
G. BANGKOK 19773 (1974); H. BANGKOK A-90

1. WE HAVE ASKED MINISTRIES OF COMMERCE AND FOREIGN AFFAIRS
TO SET DATE FOR MUTUAL EXCHANGE OF NOTES AND LETTERS AMEND-
ING AND INTERPRETING AGREEMENT OF MARCH 16, 1972. DIRECTOR
GENERAL FOREIGN TRADE SUTHEE OF COMMERCE MINISTRY APPRECIATES
CHANGES IN CONSULTATION LEVEL CONTINGENT ON EXCHANGE OF
NOTES AMENDING AGREEMENT. HE WILL UNDERTAKE TO EXPEDITE
RTG RESPONSE.

2. RTG PERPLEXED BY REF A DESCRIPTION CATEGORY 26. TO
RECAPITULATE, RTG ORIGINALLY REQUESTED, INTER ALIA,
INCREASE IN CONSULTATION LEVELS IN CATEGORY 9/10 TO LEVEL
OF 2,423,461 SQUARE YARDS (REF G) OF WHICH 356,273 SQUARE
YARDS WOULD BE TRANSFERRED FROM CATEGORY 26/27. SUBSE-
QUENTLY (REF F), RTG REQUESTED INCREASE IN CONSULTATION
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LEVEL FOR DUCK IN CATEGORY 26 TO AMOUNT OF 1,162,500 SQUARE

YARDS (NOT RPT NOT 162,500 AS STATED IN PARAS 1 AND 2
REF A, ALTHOUGH THIS MAY BE A GARBLE. PLEASE CLARIFY).
AS NEXT STEP, RTG BY LETTER OF FEB 7, TRANSMITTED REF D,
SOUGHT INCREASE IN CONSULTATION LEVEL OF CATEGORY 9/10 TO
356,273 YARDS, WHICH, AS NOTED ABOVE, WAS TO BE TRANSFERRED
FROM CATEGORY 26/27, AND ASKED THAT CONSULTATION LEVELS
OF CATEGORIES 9/10 AND 26/27 BE MAINTAINED AT ORIGINAL
CONTROLS LEVELS. THIS REQUEST ALSO CONTAINED FABRIC SAMPLE
CITED REF A. FINALLY, IN MARCH THE RTG REQUESTED AN IN-
CREASE IN THE CONSULTATION LEVEL FOR CATEGORY 9/10 TO THE
AMOUNT OF 2,760,000 SQUARE YARDS (REF H).

3. WE HAVE DISCUSSED WITH WORKING LEVEL RTG OFFICIALS IN
DEPARTMENT OF FOREIGN TRADE STATISTICS IN REF A AND, IN
ADDITION TO LARGE DISCREPANCY CITED IN PARA 2 ABOVE, ARE
NOT ABLE ACCOUNT FOR STATEMENT IN PARA 2 REF A THAT, AS
RESULT CARRYOVER FROM PREVIOUS YEARS, 153,750 ADDITIONAL
SQUARE YARDS MAY BE ENTERED THIS AGREEMENT YEAR IN CATEGORY
26 DUCK. SHOULD THIS FIGURE IN FACT BE 1,653,750 SQUARE
YARDS, WHICH IS THE CONTROL LEVEL FOR CATEGORY 26 DUCK?

4. PLEASE ADVISE ASAP.
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